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Sir:

In checking over the printed copy of the above-identified patent, we have found printing errors that are the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office. It is respectfully requested that these errors be corrected in accordance with 37 CFR §1.322(a). We have also found errors that are not the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office. It is respectfully requested that these errors be corrected in accordance with 37 CFR §1.323. The errors to be corrected are listed below.

The errors of the Patent Office are as follows:

In line 13 of patent claim 1 (column 6, line 6), the term "illuminated water" should be "illuminated wafer". Patent claim 1 was application claim 9. Please see the Listing of

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Claims in applicant's amendment of December 16, 2003.

Application claim 9, line 14, clearly reads "illuminated wafer".

In lines 2 and 3 of patent claim 3 (column 6, lines 17-18), the term "inspection" has been hyphenated, but the hyphen is missing at the end of line 2. Patent claim 3 was application claim 5. Please see the Listing of Claims in applicant's amendment of December 16, 2003. Application claim 5, line 3, clearly shows "inspection" to be correctly spelled.

In line 14 of patent claim 21 (column 7, line 23), the term "illuminated water" should be "illuminated wafer". Patent claim 21 was application claim 24. Please see the Listing of Claims in applicant's amendment of December 16, 2003. Application claim 24, line 14, clearly reads "illuminated wafer".

In line 3 of patent claim 25 (column 7, line 40), the term "water" should be "wafer". Patent claim 25 was application claim 27. Please see the Listing of Claims in applicant's amendment of December 16, 2003. Application claim 27, line 3, clearly reads "wafer".

The following errors are not the fault of the Patent and Trademark Office:

On the front page of the patent, section (30), the application number of the Israeli priority application contains a typographical error. The application number is "113829", not "133829". This error appeared on the declaration filed October 22, 2001. The Application Data Sheet submitted the same day

had the correct Israeli application number but the inventors named in it were incorrect. Apparently the Patent and Trademark Office ignored the ADS in its totality. As the application on which this patent is based is a continuation of application 08/497,382, now USP 6,045,433, a certified copy of the priority document was not filed in this case. It is noted that the priority application number is listed correctly in the front page of USP 6,045,433.

Patent claim 16, line 3 (column 6, line 59), the term "the light detector" should be changed to read "a light detector". There is lack of antecedent basis for the use of the term "the".

Patent claim 17, line 4 (column 6, line 64), "a spectrophotometer" should read "the spectrophotometer". There is antecedent basis for the use of the term "the".

Patent claim 25, line 2 (column 7, line 39), the term "measuring and holding unit are separated" should read "measuring and holding units are separated" to correct the noun and verb number agreement.

Patent claim 35, line 4 (column 8, line 31), "a spectrophotometer" should read "the spectrophotometer". There is antecedent basis for the use of the term "the".

When the changes are considered, it will be clear that the errors are typographical or clerical in nature and/or of minor character, which occurred in good faith. Correction thereof does not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute "new matter" or would require re-examination.

In accordance with MPEP §1480.01, in an effort to expedite processing of this request, also attached hereto is a copy of applicant's amendment of December 16, 2003. All of the claims discussed above are contained in this amendment.

Attached please find PTO Form 2038 authorizing payment in the amount of \$100.00 to cover the appropriate fee for corrections under 37 CFR §1.323. If insufficient fees are specifically authorized, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 02-4035.

We are also attaching one copy of the Certificate of Correction form.

Granting of this request is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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